

Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 7, line 25 and bridging to page 8, line 4 with the following amended paragraph:

Figure 1 is a schematic representation of a YAC/P1 physical map at chromosome 3q26 between D3S1275 and D3S1602. YACS are from the Genethon/CEPH mega YAC library and are illustrated as horizontal bars. Each YAC is listed by coordinate name. The size of each is listed in parentheses. P1 clones are listed by RMC number. Information information about these probes is available through the Resource for Molecular Cytogenetics (<http://rme-www.lbl.gov>). STS evaluated in this study are listed above vertical lines showing their approximate locations. STSs contents of specific clones confirmed by PCR are listed as open circles. Predicted STS not confirmed by PCR are shown as open squares. Genes mapped within the YAC/P1 contig in this study or reported elsewhere (Dib *et al.* *Nature* 380:152-154 (1996); Gemmill *et al.* *Nature* 377:299-319 (1995); and Nucifora *et al.* *Blood* 86:1-14 (1995)) are shown below the clones to which they map.